As Effort to Attach Free Columns as a Rider to the Sundry Civil Appropriatton Bill-Seven Democrats Vote Against Bland, and Seven Republicans with Him-Four New York Democrats Might Have Saved the Day,

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 7 .- The Hon. John J. Ingails of Kansas pronounced the funeral oration of the Force bill in the Senate on Feb. 5. With this issue dead and buried, the silver question comes to the front in Congress, Benator Stewart antegonized the Force bill with it and forced the Free Coinage bill through the Senate. The bill came to the House and want to the Committee on Coinage, Weights, and Measures. This was a month ago. This bill is still in committee. Sliver Dollar Diand is swinging his hatchet and flourishing his scalping knife in an effort to drive it from the committee into the House. But all in vain. It still remains in committee. The President sits at the other end of the avenue awaiting developments. Every effort is being made to strangle the measure, and contrary efforts are being made to drive it to the President. The men who yank the wires of legislation in the House are opposed to it. Every parliamentary device and every ruling, so far as the Speaker is concernod, will undoubtedly be used to strangle it. If it ever comes before the House it will have to be brought there by parliamentary sactics under the Reed rules.

The odds are against it, but its friends are old logislators and wary ones. Not a trick must be lost by those opposing the measure. It will come up when least expected, like Banquo's ghost, and confront the ruling party in Congress. The fight over it may lead to an extra session. It is a national issue, so great that it may make and mar not only candidates for the Presidency but political parties.

The bill providing for the purchase of \$4,-500,000 of silver buillon a month came up in the House on June 5. It was forced before the House by a special order from the Committee on Rules. That committee gave a day and a half for its consideration. Under the rulings of the Speaker, no man was allowed to offer a free coinage amendment. The minority of the

House has been expreised to commel witnesses to appear before the committee and give their testimony. The outcome of the investigation, thus tar, is small content of the investigation, thus tar, is small content of the investigation, thus tar, is small content on the investigation that the content of the

ple. It was this:

Provided, That all holders of aliver builton of standfird weight and fineness shall be entitled to have the

same coined into standard ellever collars on the same terms and conditions as now provided by law for the holders of gold busines.

Gev. Dingley's point of order was based upon the ground that the amendment changed existing law. A hot debate followed. Mr. Bland insisted that the amendment was grammed, and was sustained in his opposition by Mr. Blount of Georgia, Mr. McMillin of Tennesses. Mr. Dockery of Missouri, and Mr. Cobb of Alabama. Gov. Dingley was supported by Mr. Adams and Mr. Cannon of Illinois, and Gen, Een Butterworth. The committee aross without a decision upon the point of order. At night there was much speculation as to how Judge Payson, would decide. Both sides claimed him. His free silver proclivities were well known. The gold men, however, claimed that he had leverage enough under the rules and the law to exclude the amendment.

The House met at Il o'clock on Vriday morning. As soon as it went into Committee of the Whole Judge Payson made his decision amid great excitement. It sustained the point of order. Mr. Bland promptly took an appeal from the decision. This brought the matter squarely before the House. But it gave the artiul dodgers an opportunity to evade, the issue. The House was in Committee of the Whole. Under the rules the yeas and navs cannot be called in committee. Before tellers were appointed Mr. Rogers of Arkansas called attention to this fact, and exgressed the hone that the Representatives would inove slow, so that reporters in the ignilery could record those who passed between the tellers.

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Nassachusetts. William and Edward J. Dunphy, Francis B. Spinola, John M. Claney, and John Wiley of New York.

Seven Republicans voted with the silver men. They were Thomas H. Carter of Montana. Horace F. Bartine of Nevada. Hosea Townsend of Colorado. Ernatus J. Turner and Harrison Kellev of Kansas. Gilbert L. Laws of Nebraska, and Binger Hermann of Oregon. Some surprise was expressed when H. C. Hamsbrough of North Dakota. Bishop W. Perkins. and Edward H. Funston of Kansas and other Western Republicans voted against the silver men. Hausbrough has just been elected to the United States Senate for six years, and Fynaton is the only Republican redlected from Kansas. Among those voling to sustain the Chair were Eydney E. Mudd of Marriand. He announced that he was paired with Mr. Featherston of Arkansas on the silver-coinage proposition, but he did not consider this as a vote upon that proposition. The Chair's decision was sustained by a vote of 134 to 127. The silver men expressed some indignation at the action of the saven Democrats who voted to sustain the Chair. Mr. Mudd's action also excited unfavorable comment. Mr. Bland immediately drewout a call for a cancus on Saturday. It secured many signatures.

The action of the House does not finally dispose of the silver question. The free coinage amendment may be placed upon the Sundry Civil bill as a rider after it reaches the Senate, it would then come back to the Heuse. and be referred to a Committee of Conference, appointed by the Speaker and the Vie-President, if the conference on the part of the House report against the amendment, asquare vote upon the question by yeas and nays could be obtained in open House. Every men would be forced to go upon record. If the House disagreed with its conferrees and carried the amendment, the bill would go to the President, and to defeat free coinage he would be forced to yet this great approprietion bill. Sunn action would necessitate an extra session.

There is a girl for you who doesn't propose to take any risk in the breach of promise busi-

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Prom the san Francisc Caronicle.

OLYMPIA. Jan. 29.—A delegation from the Bar Association of Port Townsend appeared before the Judiclary Committee of the House to-night and asked that charges of impeachment be brought against Morris G. Bachs, Judge of the Superior Court of Cisliam. Jefforson. Klisap Island, and San Juan counties. The delegation presented a sworn statement by three reputable citizens of Port Townsend, in which it is alleged that Judge Sachs is in the habit of visiting gambling dens and participating openly in fare.

THE FIGHT FOR FREE SILVER. | same cotted into standard silver dollars on the same | THE OLD WORLD INDEED. A GLIMPSE OF BERLIN SOCIETY.

> The City on the Spree is Still in a Tran-stilon State-The Military Element. BERLIN, Jan. 21.—It has been said with much

truth that Berlin is still in its Flegel-jahre, the German name for that period of transition when the child develops into the young man or woman. As a capital of first rank Berlin is not fully fledged even yet, in spite of the gi-gantic strides to maturity it has taken since 1871. However, it refuses obstinately to consider itself otherwise than grown up; hence a sort of hesitation, an uncertainty, a diffidence perceptible to the outsider, the unseknowledged consciousness of which is thinly velled a watchful jealousy in social relations that has

Sometimes this feeling has created difficulties. In the simple and perfunctory matter of calls, for instance, no definite rules are possible; at whatever hour a foreign visitor pays a visit he is liable to fall on the dinner hour. All the bourgeoisie does not dine at 2, all the aristocracy does not dine at the later hour: the former strives to postpone its meal, the latter endeavors to forget how very lately it has adopted the more fashionable time. These crudities are apparent in other things.

With very fine houses, elegant and really ar-tistic furniture, good pictures, and choice flowers in abundance, with the comprehension of the refinements of life that springs from are by nature and tradition a race of simple among the Israelites-are the exception, not chiefly territorial, and the rich land owners whose extensive domains are often situated in distant provinces not easy of access do not think themselves justified in spending the revenues of their property in the capital only. Thrift and domestic economy are practised and viewed in the light of hereditary virtues sinful to neglect. Even women of title conhousehold, not by a deputy housekeeper, but share in the management, expect their be proficient in their turn in all the branches of house rule. Impossible as they think it is

there are hardly ever two balls on the same night. This includes, of course, the half dozen court receptions.

Lady Ermyntrude Malet, who came to the British Embassy as a bride, has become very popular in Berlin. Her parties dinners, and "at homes" are delightful, and the line rooms of the residence belonging to the British Government are always illied with the best people on her reception days, so that the deep mourning of both the masters of the house on account of the recent deaths of the Duke of Bedford, father of Lady Ermyntrude, and of her husband's mother, will east quite a gloom on this year's festive arrangements. But the most hospitable of all the the embassies is the Italian. It is looked upon as a great honor to be invited to one of the Count de Launay's balls the fix the dean of the diplomatic corps), and the collilon with its well-chosen presents is a recognized and favorite feature of these entertainments, as is also the almost certainty of meeting the Emperor and his court. When it is rumored that an embassy ball is in contemplation, hundreds of officers leave their cards at the house, accompanied by that of a comrade whom

society recognizes as having the privilege and qualifications for being their sponsor socially. The dancing, which is invariably as good as the music—and that is well nigh perfect—is far more lively and active than it is here; listlesspess and apparent weariness, de riqueur in London, would seem affected, and an almost contemptible weakness in Berlin, where young people never look tired.

Young German girls, without being in the least forward, are pleasant and cheerful companions; they hold an important place in society; they empty themselves in a perfectly honest, frank, but always modest and maidenly fashion, and have not been deteriorated yet by the invasion of the loud, half-insolent, half-scornful attitude and manners of uncertipulous rivals or wealthy parvenues whose assumptions are not likely, for the present at least, to take any strong hold on the German world. This is perhaps why the advocates of the new school of feminine license are so loud in libeling Berlin society as dull, stupid, and slow. The "greenness of the grapes" is a perennial consolation in all cases where the tasting of them is not obtainable.

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A MONARCH RETIRED FROM BUSINESS.

The Ex-Queen Isabella of Spain, Her Home Pants, Jan. 28.-Of the women who at one time occupied an envied position on the throne none perhaps has been more severely judged at the time of her prosperity and made more completely responsible for her misfortunes than Queen Isabella of Spain. One of the 'Rois en exil" of Paris, she was viewed at first with distrust and even contempt; then, when Spain was opened once more to the exile, some and now, as she still spends a great deal of her time at the Palais de Castille, the Parislans finally have adopted her, and her receptions, ed by the representatives of the highest French

and Spanish aristogracy. Without any pretension to the historical fame of a Catherine II. or an Elizabeth, without the halo of beauty and tragic death of a Mary Stuart, without the prestige of widowbood of the Regent Christian and Queen Emma, Isabella of Bourbon has a claim of no mean importance. She has borne her reverse with dignity, patience, gentleness, and an utter absence of rancor; she was irresistibly attracted toward Franco as the gradle of her hearts of the French by a certain passive quiet and commanded respect.

Since the control of Withal she has remained distinctly Spanish. alike in tastes, mind, habits, and an ardent love for the land over which she once ruled.

NATIVE WORK IN NICARAGUA. Carved Cups, Hammocks, Shawls, Jewelry,

and Antiquities. GRANADA, Dec. 20.-Americans are far-famed we determined to make the most of our oppor tunities for ferreting out interesting native work and autique remains of the aborigines of Nicaragua. My companion, Mr. S. C. Braida. has travelled in many odd corners of the earth.
A professor of languages at Princeton, speaking perfectly half a dozen idioms, he gave up the dull routine of a college life two years ago and has since been in the active service of the Nicaragua Canal Construction Company. On the staff of Chief Engineer Menocal, he now accompanies him on a trip to the capital and inspection of the work west of the lake, and while the chief engineer is engaged in official matters we find time to go hunting for what is odd and curious in Nicaraguan handiwork. It is almost impossible for one accustomed to

active commercial life in the States and untutored in the ways of poople here to comprehend the methods of doing business, the lossibility of the control of the methods of doing business, the lossibility of the control of the contr seldom a drop of rain falls, and the Indians are never interrupted in their work.

If we wish to see the weaving of shawls, which are finely embroidered in bright colors, we must go to Granada, where only lately heavy shocks of earthquake drove the people from their homes and where we now find them busy repairing the cracked walls and broken tile roofs. We find them working with weaving machines of the fashion we are accustomed to see in pictures of tools of past centuries. The spindles are thrown from side to side by the weaver's lamis, and the woof is

to side the weaver's hands, and the woof is price of the tearlies and the woof of the feet of the engine and the woof of the feet of the condition with the work of and red of these reits of past generations. Shawls are made of slik and worsted, and one has only to go to church on Sunday morning to see a display of a great variety of them.

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MAN AND BULLDOG.

A Pight which the Man Won, Using Natu-SCRANTON, Feb. 6.-Ed Merry weather, a young

clored man of Falls township, offered to bet Bill Bennett \$2.50 the other day that he could lick Bill's brindled buildog Dandy, without kicking or choking him. He would do it on his hands and knees, he said, and he wouldn't use any weapon. Bill had publicly declared that Dandy could lick four times his weight in hornots, wildcats, dogs, or men, and Ed's propo-sition struck him so favorably that he planked down the money immediately. His dog had never been licked by any other dog, although he had fought eleven times, and he was willing to bet that Dandy could make Merryweather cry enough in less than fifty seconds. Ed covered Bill's stake, and a party of seven went over to Abnor Whitney's barn to see the fight. Bill leading his dog along.

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The barn floor was swept clean, and Merryweather bound two handkerchiefs around his
left cost sleeve, telow the clow, and but a
buckkin glove on his left hand. Then he got
down on his hands and knees and told Bill to
set on his dog. Bill rubbed the dog's cars,
shook him up rather lively, gave him a kick,
and yelled:

"to for him, Dandy! Go for him, sir!"

"Like a flash the dog made a vicious spring at
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left forearm, and the dog grabbed it savagely
land act his teeth into the clothing. In a
y,
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shout over the dog's head. With it Merryweather seized Dandy by the scruff of the neck,
yanked him closer, leaned over, and settled
his teeth in the dog's nose.

In an instant the buildog roleased his hold
on the arm and began to yelp and whine like a
cur. The colored man kept setting his teeth
deer and iscour into the howing buildog's
snout and he hung on and grinned triumphand in until Bill yelled for him to let up. Then
de he opened his mouth and the still yelling Dandy slunk to his master's feet, as completely
used up and cowed down as a dog could posslip be. herryweather stayed on his kness
and told Bill to set the dog on again. The dog
as the had never seen a buildog yet that he could
not lick.

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Two Stories of Luck.

From the Globe Democrat.

"It is queer what little things sometimes help a man along in public life." A party of four or five were sitting in the reading room at Hurst's Hotel, and it was an Idaho man who made the remark. "Senator McConnell, who was recently elected, owes his popularity in a

made the remark. "Senator McConneil, who was recentir elected, owes his popularity in a great degree to the fact that he introduced that variety of draw poker known as "stud" poker at Boise City during the time the Constitutional Convention was in season. McConneil is a half fellow well met, and his introduction of stud poker made him many friends, who were afterward very useful to him."

"His luck is almost equal to that of the delegate from Arizona." said another member of the party. "He rejoices in the name of Marcus Aurelius Smith, and he owes his popularity to a game of base-ball. Mark Smith is a Kentuckian, and when he struck Tombstone, in '81, he was regarded as a 'tenderfoot. One afternoon soon after Smith's arrival in Tombstone there was a game of ball, and, thinking to have some fun with the tenderfoot from the States, the boys got Smith to umpic the game. In a little while there was a general row and "Mark" was called noon to decide some knotty point. He made his decision, but of course it was unsatisfactory, and the row continued. It looked as if the umpire was about to be done up, and the Kentuckian was could to the emergency. Here, you fellows, play ball, shouted umpire in a business-like way, and at the same time emphasized his command by reaching under his coat tails and producing a couple of very ugly six-shooters. They continued, but no further attempt was ever made to gay the tenderloot from Keller tucky, and he at once became popular."

An Alayming Symptom.

From the Philadelphia Record.

A man in the Eleventh ward told his doctor that he was atraid he had insomnia. The doctor asked what made him think so, and was told: "I see people asleen around me in church on Sundar, but all I can do is to doze off for a lew minutes."

So Soon!

From the Battimore American. DOWER. Del., Feb. 6.—The rapid increase of the disease known as the "peach yellows" in the orchards of Dulaware is agitating the fruit